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REMARKS

Claims 2-21 remain in this application. Claim 21 is allowed. Claims 1-20 are rejected. Claim 1 is cancelled. Claims 2, 4, 6, 11, 15, 16 and 20 are amended herein to clarify the invention, to broaden language as deemed appropriate and to address matters of form unrelated to substantive patentability issues.

Applicant herein traverses and respectfully requests reconsideration of the rejection of the claims cited in the above-referenced Office Action.

Claims 1-20 are rejected as obvious over Sagawa et al. (EP 0,903,169 A2) in view of Kosugi et al. (US 5,229,756) under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). The applicant herein respectfully traverses this rejection.

Claim 1 is cancelled, rendering its rejection moot. Dependent claims 2-14 which formerly depended from claim 1 have been amended to now depend from allowed claim 21, and are now, therefore similarly in condition for allowance. Remaining independent claims 15, 16 and 20 are amended herein to incorporate the subject matter recited in claim 21 which requires that the generated signal is indicative of a change in velocity of the signal generating device being moved by said game player being measured relative to a reference point independent of the game player. In a telephone conversation with counsel for applicant, the Examiner indicated informally that if these claims were so amended, an amendment after final

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rejection would be granted entry and the rejections of record would be overcome, pending approval by the Examiner's supervisor. Claims 17-19, which depend from claim 15, are also patentable based on the subject matter cited therein in addition to the subject matter of claim 15 amended as noted above.

Therefore, based upon the foregoing, reconsideration of the rejections of claims 2-20 and their allowance are respectfully requested.

Applicant respectfully requests a two (2) month extension of time for responding to the Office Action. Please charge the fee of \$410 for the extension of time to Deposit Account No. 10-1250.

In light of the foregoing, the application is now believed to be in proper form for allowance of all claims and notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 10-1250.

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